

AAH MARCH 2006 - USA Comments

CHAPTER 4.1.5.

SPHERICAL BACULOVIRIOSIS

Article 4.1.5.1.

... *Penaeus monodon baculovirus* is classified as a tentative species in the genus *Nucleopolyhedrovirus*.

**Comment:** Note correct spelling for Nucleopolyhedrovirus

Article 4.1.5.3.

**Commodities**

1. ...
  - a) ...
  - b) The following products destined for human consumption from species in Article 4.1.5.2 which have been prepared in such a way as to minimise the risk of diversion for alternative uses:
    - i) ...
    - ii) ...
    - iii) **de**-headed and de-veined shrimp tails.

**Rationale:** “headed” is a slang term that might be confused with having the head on. Note: we make the same comment for all crustacean chapters where the term “headed” is used.

Article 4.1.5.4.

**Spherical baculovirus free country**

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1. A country where none of the *susceptible species* ~~is~~ **are** present may make a *self-declaration of freedom* from spherical baculovirus when *basic biosecurity conditions* have been met continuously in the country for at least the past 2 years.